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8	Regularisation of one day strike period on 20-06-1989.	Already settled.
9	Higher pay scales for Cooks, Tailors, Nursing Attendants and Barbers.	No complete proposal has benn received and hence no action is pending.
10	Field Station Head Quarters at Kungathul	The proposal is being examined.
11	Anomaly out of IVth Pay Commission Report.	The decision was taken by the Anomalies Committee that the causes of Anomalies arising as a result of direct implementation of Fourth Revised Pay Scale should be considered. It has been reported that in so far as C.L.T.R.I. Chengalpattu is concerned, there is no case which falls wtthin the purview of the anomalies Committee.
12	Anomaly in pay scale of P.Sirumban, Statistical Assistant.	The matter is being examined.
13	Upgradation of the post of Stenographer.	Necessary sanction to the upgradation of the post of Stenographer-Grade-I attached to the Director, Central Leprosy Teaching and Research Insittute, Chengalpaitu from pay scale of Rs. 1640-2900!-sto that of Senior P.A. in the scale of Rs. 2000-3200/s- together with the redesignation and reclassification of upgraded post has been issued vide this Directorate letter No. A.11019/2/89-Lep., Dated 9.3.1990.
14	Filling up all vacant posts.	The proposal for various vacant posts is under consideration.
15	Rationalisation of Pay Scales of EDP posts.	The rationalisation of posts is done in consultation with Deptt. of Personnel & Training and Ministry of Finance'. The matter is being examined, keeping in view various implications.

Memo From Indian Flight Despatchers' Union

542. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a Memorandum dated the 10th February, 1991 from the Indian Flight Despatchers' Union;

(b) if so, what are the demands and grievances contained in the memorandum; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARMOHAN DHAWAN): (a) to (c) Government have received a letter dated 10th February, 1991 from the Indian Flight Despatchers' Union of Air India seeking an interview with the Minister of Civil Aviation. This letter is receiving attention.

Increase in the prices of drugs

543. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has recently been a steep rise in the prices of drugs under categories I and II;

(b) if so, the reasons which led to the increase in the drug prices; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to avoid frequent increases in the prices of drugs?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Prices are fixed in accordance with the provisions contained in the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987. Some price increase is inevitable with rise in input costs.

Setting up of LPG Projects by GAIL

544. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Gas Authority of India Limited had taken up the work to set up some LPG projects in the country;

(b) if so, what are the names of the States where these projects are proposed to be set up;

(c) whether any such LPG project has been commissioned by the Gas Authority of India Limited so far; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) GAIL are setting up two LPG Units having a capacity of 203 thousand TPA each at Bijaipur in Madhya Pradesh. During the 8th Plan Period GAIL are also likely to set up LGP plants in the states of Assam, Gujarat, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. GAIL has commissioned the first LPG Unit at Bijaipur in M.P. in January, 1991. The Project has been commissioned 7 months ahead of schedule.

Scarcity of kerosene in Orissa

545. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of acute scarcity of kerosene in Orissa, particularly in the Phulabani and Kalahandi districts of that State;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for reduction in the supply of kerosene to those districts;

(c) whether there is a need to increase the allotment of kerosene to Orissa; and

(d) if so, what steps have been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) to (d) No reports have been received about acute scarcity of SKO in Orissa. Allocations of SKO to States|UTs are made by allowing a suitable growth over the allocations made in the correponding period of the previous year and allocations to Orissa have been made on this basis.

While over all allocation of kerosene to State|UTs is made by the Central Government, within the State District-wise allocations are made by the State Governments Management of the SKO distribution system at the local level is the responsibility of State Govts. The SKO allocations for Orissa in 1989 and 1990 were as follows:

Jan-Dce., 1989 — 150305 tonnes.

Jan-Dec., 1990 — 157442 tonnes.

SKO is a deficit product and over one-third of the country's requirements are met by imports. The diffi-